## LAND RECORDS COMMITTEE MEETING

March 11, 2014

Oneida County Courthouse Second Floor – Committee Room #2 Rhinelander, Wisconsin 54501

Committee Members	Denny Thompson, Chairman	Sonny Paszak
Mike Timmons	Jim Intrepidi	Greg Oettinger

#### Call to Order and Chair's announcements.

Vice Chair Paszak called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. in accordance with the Open Meeting Law noting that the meeting notice had been properly posted and the building and meeting room is handicap accessible. All committee members were present except Thompson who had an excused absence.

# Approve agenda for today's meeting.

Motion/Intrepidi/Oettinger to approve today's agenda. All ayes.

Approve minutes of Land Records February 11, 2014 minutes.

Motion/Timmons/Intrepidi to approve the minutes of the February 11th meeting. All ayes.

### Staff members' attendance at land-related meetings/seminars.

Romportl reported he met with a Dept of Administration (DOA) representative who was in Oneida County and discussed the new legislation pertaining to the WI Land Information Program. The DOA is charged with coming up with a plan to create a statewide parcel map and they intend to use county data. There are two groups, the County Surveyors and the Land Information Officers, who are working together to come up with guidance to the state in developing the plan and Romportl felt it was important that we stay involved.

Motion/Intrepidi/Oettinger to allow Romportl to continue participating in the county surveyors' and the Land Information Officers' discussion and authorized him to attend meetings that are out of town as needed. All aves.

### Service Award for Art Hilgendorf, GIS Analyst.

Romportl informed the committee members of the excellent job that Hilgendorf has done over the past years and stressed the importance of his position in making things easier and more accessible to other departments and the public. Romportl noted that Art goes above and beyond the minimum always looking for areas to improve upon and it is a pleasure working with Art. Hilgendorf stated that he very much likes what he does which includes, but definitely not limited to, making information easily accessible to the public and also to the other county employees as well. Beyer, a coworker of Art's and present at this meeting to take minutes, asked to comment and stated that Art is always very helpful in answering questions presented by coworkers, other county employees and the public without making that person feel that Art is talking down to them. Paszak then presented Art with a certificate in recognition of his completion of 15 years of service with the county and thanked him for his service and that he also appreciates the work Art is doing for the County.

It is anticipated that the committee may go into closed session pursuant to Sec. 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin statutes for deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. (Topic: Consideration of counter-offer [if one received prior to the meeting] and recommendation to County Board – 111 E Davenport St).

There was no counter offer submitted: therefore no need for closed session.

It is anticipated that the committee will return to open session and may ratify any matter(s) discussed in closed session.

Nothing to report.

Resolution for the sale of 111 E Davenport Street.

Midwest Lease, LLC submitted a cash offer of \$185,000 to purchase 111 E Davenport Street at the February meeting and the County Board countered the offer at \$225,000. Midwest Lease LLC rejected the counter offer but kept their original offer on the table.

Motion/Timmons/Intrepidi to recommend to County Board to accept the cash offer of \$185,000 and to obtain title insurance and forward the resolution on to full County Board for consideration. All ayes.

### Update on LiDAR elevation project

The pilot project has been accepted and the contractor is working on the east half of the county which we should have in late April and the West half in June; the entire county should then be done with 2-foot contours by mid-August. The pilot took longer to complete because of changes to processing data to create a more accurate product and to develop more efficient processes to review the remaining area of the county. Romportl indicated the decision to hire Atkins as our independent consultant to help us has been very beneficial to the project since the technology is very complicated and he recommended that the contract be amended to account for the changes.

Motion/Intrepidi/Oettinger to amend the contract payment and schedule to Atkins for the pilot project to \$11,800 and to increase the total amount of the whole contract from \$20,000 to \$25,000. All monies for this change is covered by Land Information fees. All ayes.

# Ordinance amendment for Chapter 18 County Real Estate Transactions.

Romportl reviewed requests from people to look at changes to Chapter 18 mainly as it relates to the 100' strips of right-of-way reserved by the county when they sold tax foreclosed properties in the 1930's and 40's. Romportl presented maps where and how the strip impacts landowners' parcels. The committee felt that since many of the strips are not identified and likely have been taxed to the adjoining landowner they felt it would be best to reduce the fees to clear title to the strips and agreed with the proposed ordinance amendment.

Motion/Timmons/Intrepidi to approve the ordinance amendment relating to Chapter 18 as presented and to forward to County Board for consideration. All ayes.

### 2013 Annual reports for Land Information Office and Register of Deeds.

Motion/Timmons/Paszak to accept Land Information Office 2013 Annual Report as presented and to forward on to full County Board. All ayes.

Motion/Intrepidi/Timmons to accept Register of Deeds Office 2013 Annual Report. All ayes

Monthly bills, line item transfers, purchase orders, budget surveys, budget hearings, reports, plans, non-budgetary item requests.

Motion/Timmons/Oettinger to approve monthly bills for Register of Deeds Office. All ayes. Motion/Intrepidi/Timmons to approve monthly bills for Land Information Office. All ayes.

#### **Public Comment/Communications.**

None were presented

#### Date of next meeting and items for agenda.

Next meeting will be on April 8, 2014 at 9:30.

### Adjourn.

Sonny Paszak, Vice-Chairman Land Records	Michael J. Romportl, Staff Chair